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DISTRICT COUNCIL
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TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 6 April 2023
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: The Anglican Church Hall, St George's
State Highway 3
Turakina

Chair: Mr Duran Benton
Deputy Chair: Ms Linda O'Neill
Membership: Ms Rachel Cvitanovich
Cr Brian Carter
HWTM Andy Watson

Purpose of the Committee

- To provide a local link and point of contact for Council liaison with the community.
- To provide for the exchange of information, communication, and to assist with the Council's consultative processes.
- To exercise delegated authority for the annual allocation of \$1.00 per rateable property for "defined small local works" in line with the guidelines provided¹.
- Particularly, to help ensure that any minor remedial or renewal works are brought to Council's attention through the Request for Service procedure, by promoting its use and advising community members on how to use it.
- To be the first point of contact (prior to Council) for community groups. Where this is not possible, the Committee will be informed of the approach by the community group to the Council.
- Applications for the Parks Upgrade Partnership Fund are considered and commented on by the Committee prior to the application being considered by Council.
- Placemaking initiatives that are taking place on Council land will be considered and commented on by the Committee before the application is considered by the Chief Executive.
- To engage with wider/small communities of the ward represented.

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¹ Appended to the Delegations Register

Notice is hereby given that a Turakina Community Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the The Anglican Church Hall, St George's, State Highway 3, Turakina on Thursday, 6 April 2023 at 7.30pm.

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1 Welcome / Prayer

2 Apologies

3 Public Forum

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, [enter item number](#) be dealt as a late item at this meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Duran Benton, Chair of the Turakina Community Committee

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from **Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 9 February 2023** are attached.

Attachments

1. **Turakina Community Committee Meeting - 9 February 2023**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 9 February 2023 [**as amended/without amendment**] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

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UNCONFIRMED: TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 9 February 2023
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: The Anglican Church Hall, St George's
State Highway 3
Turakina

Present Mr Duran Benton
Ms Linda O'Neill
Ms Rachel Cvitanovich
Cr Brian Carter
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance Ms Melanie Bovey, Manager Library Services

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ITEM 6.1 ATTACHMENT 1

UNCONFIRMED

1 Welcome / Prayer

2 Apologies

No apologies received.

3 Public Forum

Nil.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Declarations Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda- nil conflict of interest

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

Confirmed.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/001

That the minutes of Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 1 December 2022 **without amendment** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - February 2023

The highland games saw fewer than usual attendees due to the weather. The chair acknowledged the support from Murray Phillips and team. The chair met with Melany Bovey and Charlie Mete from Ratana Community Committee- discussions about need for a strategic plan for Turakina, induction for committee members and communication plan in conjunction with the council to help share information including awareness of what is happening, and with input from residents. Also suggesting visiting other community committees.

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/002

That the verbal Chair's Report – February 2023 be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Mayor's Report

Annual plan preparation continues, this is tricky given inflation pressures, especially pressures on the cost of roading as finding from Waka Kotahi will remain unchanged. Consultation regarding forestry harvesting differential continues. Workshops to set budgets show increases, though some councils have 12-23% rate increases and this is indicative of the rating pressures.

There are staff working on the '3 waters' framework. There will be changes in the legislation, storm water may be excluded, and co-governorship. It is no coincidence that the day the new prime minister was announce there were further announcements of the CEOs for '3 Waters'. There will be implications for rural properties that are near rural water supplies, or have the pipes running through their properties, opting out, will not be possible now. This raises questions of costs and compliance likely to fall on the individuals.

Huge numbers of local residents have been nominated for the Volunteers awards. The District Plan change still awaits a ruling.

Housing prices have dropped 12-13% Unemployment has seen small increases. Horizons lost a court case and this may be ongoing if costs are sought.

Councillor and staffing visits around the region- water plants and assets may look to invite community committee members. Koitiata lagoon has a natural path to the sea currently, but remains an ecological challenge due to earlier farm based consenting.

Ratana hope to name an interim faith leader by Easter.

HWTM has stepped down from the Bonney Glen Community Trust and another council member will attend.

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/003

That the 'Mayor's Desk - Community Volunteer Awards' be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

8.2 Small Projects Fund Update - February 2023

The remaining allocation for the small projects fund 2022/23 is \$453.40 Melanie to check if this can be rolled over. Suggestion regarding a picnic table near the new toilet. This would require an additional rubbish bin in the vicinity if so.

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/004

That the report 'Small Projects Fund Update – February 2023' be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

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8.3 Funding Schemes Update - February 2023

Some schemes may change due to funding pressures

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Resolved minute number 23/TCC/005

That the Funding Schemes Update – February 2023 be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

Discussion Item

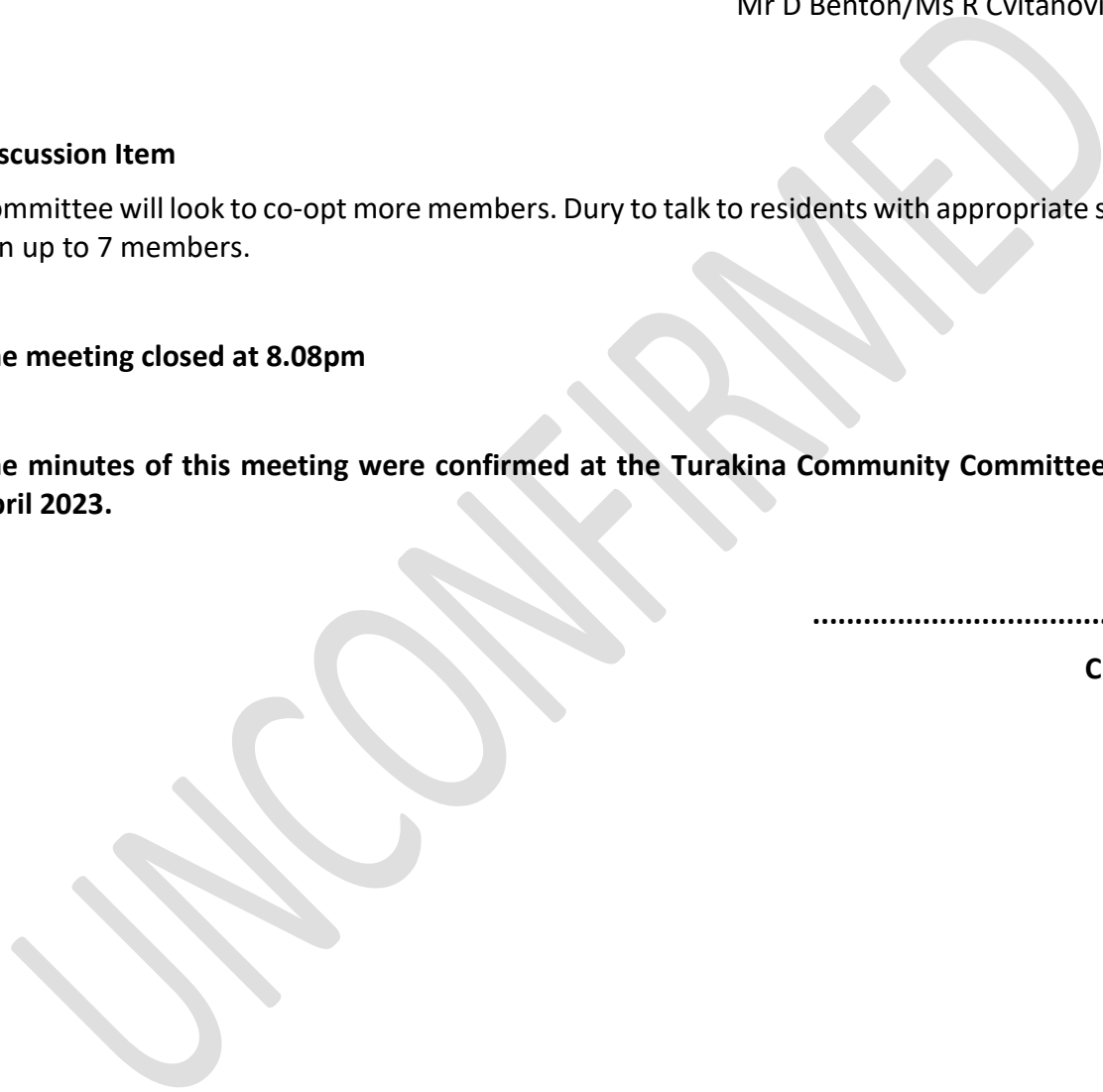
Committee will look to co-opt more members. Dury to talk to residents with appropriate skills. There can up to 7 members.

The meeting closed at 8.08pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Turakina Community Committee held on 6 April 2023.

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Chairperson



7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - April 2023

Author: Duran Benton, Chair

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The Chair will provide a verbal report.

Recommendation

That the verbal Chair's Report – April 2023 be received.

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Mayor's Report - March 2023

Author: Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

Tena kotou katoa

On 15 March Council adopted the Consultation Document for the proposed Annual Plan 2023/24, which is a big deal. It essentially tells the community what Council intends doing, how we will operate, what we intend to build or repair and how it will be funded, which includes rates. "Intend" is the key word because we want and need the community's opinion and we invite you all to submit and give us your view. Council looks to invest significant money into our town centre civic facilities in Taihape first, followed by Marton. This needs to happen to comply with earthquake prone legislation and to replace civic facilities that have been closed or are at risk to the community and staff. For many decades our district has invested very little in our facilities and it shows.

Funding this Annual Plan budget is challenging. The inflationary pressures on construction, roading and salaries is huge. We as a Council have tried very hard to balance the cost increases needed against the ability for our ratepayers to afford rate increases. We have settled in this draft on an average rate increase of 9.01% across the district. I stress that this is an average. Actual rates will vary and you will, through our Council website, soon be able to see what your own individual rating position will be. What we are starting to see is the benefit of growth in our district, with new houses being built and future industry wanting to be here - the costs of the district are being shared against more people, easing future rates positions. Please have your say on the Key Choices in the Consultation Document and/or any other issue.

Our Spatial Plan document is also out for consultation at the same time as the Consultation Document for the proposed Annual Plan and you will see us out in the district at community meetings over the next four weeks taking these to the public. Please join us at these meetings which will be advertised through our website and other media platforms.

Myself and Council were offered the opportunity recently to appear on the TV Breakfast Show to talk about the Spatial Plan and how we are planning for growth in the Rangitikei District. I decided that our Senior Strategic Planner, Katrina Gray should be the one who spoke on this as she is incredibly knowledgeable and has driven the project from inception. It was also a chance for us to show our appreciation for the incredible amount of work Katrina has done over the last 18 months.

Peter Beggs our Chief Executive and I attended what is known as the LGNZ "Rural and Provincial" sector meeting in Wellington recently. This is where Elected Members, Mayors and Chief Executives from rural and smaller cities meet to discuss issues relating to Government, hear from Government Ministers and where we can voice our concerns and discuss many other issues. Understandably the conversation centred around Cyclone Gabrielle and the Government's Three Waters reforms.

Cyclone Gabrielle's cost to the country is still to be fully understood, but what is absolutely clear is that the cost to communities and Councils cannot be met by council rates alone. Significant changes to how we fund the replacement of roads, bridges and infrastructure need to occur. Although it is a sensitive subject we need to understand that some roads and houses should not be rebuilt on the

sites they once occupied. Many of the rural mayors and staff from affected districts were not at the meeting because they are too busy and focussed on immediate issues. The rest of us discussed how we can support them.

I am proud to say our Council has been fantastic. We, by way of a Council decision, have sent \$20,000 to the Tararua District Council, one of our Horizons partners. We have also sent over relief staff to man call centres and work on the ground operating drones throughout Hawkes Bay and Tararua and our communities have donated equipment, time and money in support.

To give you an insight into the damage I quote from Tararua - a small council by way of population with an enormous (2000kms) area, most of which is roading. These are their points:-

- a. "landlines have gone with communities completely isolated"
- b. "40 roads closed"
- c. "bridges gone"
- d. "communities with no road access and the land the roads were based on is now not there"
- e. "stock losses are high"
- f. "councillors are included in relief convoys because of the need for local knowledge and empathy between connected people"
- g. "it will be at least 18 months before council gets back on its feet" (later reviewed to years)
- h. "business as usual doesn't exist – there is no time for Annual Plans and audits".

You can only imagine what it is like for Central Hawkes Bay, Napier, Hastings, Gisborne and Wairoa.

This event came after local elections and many new mayors expressed concern that they had very little training or advice on their role in a Civil Defence emergency. This must be reprioritised within Elected Member training.

Stuart Crosby, the President of LGNZ, had many points to make in the Local Government address and can be summarised as follows –

1. "climate change adaption needs to be incorporated into the RMA (Resource Management Act) as lessons to be learned from the cyclone". Underlying this is for the conversation around managed retreat.
2. "with the changes in the Labour Party it is urgent that we build relationships with the Prime Minister while noting that Chippy did not have portfolios that meant a heavy engagement previously, something that also applies to the Minister of Local Government".
3. "that there is a real risk that the future of Local Government reform just becomes a document that sits on a shelf" (think of the timing of its release and elections).
4. "We as Local Government need to clearly establish our views on what should be in the manifesto for portfolio preferences for Government".
5. "The Local Government Conference in July will be important to give our views".
6. The President noted that only some cities in New Zealand, for logistical reasons, could host Local Government conferences in the future, which would indicate that these will be shared between Christchurch, Auckland, Hamilton, Invercargill etc, something which I support.

On Day 2 of the Conference the Minister Kieran McAnulty, Local Government Minister, spoke and here are his main points –

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1. “I am pleased to have two portfolios – Civil Defence and Local Government – I come from this sector and understand it”.
2. He recognised there is concern around the future for Local Government reforms, that the Prime Minister has said there will be a re-set in Three Waters and he has been given the job of delivering it. The Minister said the cyclone has delayed these announcements but they are imminent.
3. The Minister talked about local authorities with large land areas and low rating bases (e.g. Rangitikei) saying “that the current funding models are not sustainable”.
4. That reform by Government is still needed and says that he has “big concerns that some councils that are difficult to upgrade (with respect to Three Waters) may not be partnered with other councils in a regional model” – this is a concern I also share.
5. The Minister said that he wants Government to be flexible around audit processes and Annual Plans for councils affected by the cyclone.
6. He spoke very highly of the Mayors’ Taskforce for Jobs which is the Mahi Tahi programme of which Rangitikei was a founding member and instigator.

Elizabeth McNaughten from a company called Hummingly spoke well on how to manage and support Elected Members – referencing the emotional and physical stress of those affected by cyclones. Elizabeth has worked in many large scale international disasters for three decades. Her presentation was well received by the majority of Elected Members and something that I got quite a lot out of. One of the key messages that she gave to Local Government and aimed specifically at Mayors is apt - “don’t make promises you can’t keep”.

The inaugural Community Volunteer Awards took place on Thursday 23 March at Te Matapihi and was well attended by over 100 people. The awards were a tangible way to recognise the many hours of incredible volunteer work undertaken by people across our district. Award recipients were as follows –

- Helen Cooper
- Joe Byford & Don Tantrum (joint award)
- Les Thurston
- Graeme Bradley
- Don Hatfull
- Felix Bell
- Danelle Whakatihi
- Barry Rankin
- Lucy Skou
- David Smith & Greg Carlyon (joint award)

Together with the Mayor’s Recognition Award, awarded posthumously to Mr John Beresford Swan Dudding for the significant financial support he has provided to the district over the last few decades. My thanks goes to council staff for organising such a fantastic evening of celebration for our district.

On Monday 21 March our Youth Council met for their inaugural meeting for this triennium. The Youth Council is under the guidance and support of Kelly and Kayla and involves students from secondary schools including Rangitikei College, Nga Tawa and Taihape Area School. The Youth Committee follows a similar process to full Council, operating under the same Standing Orders and Processes and is able to make recommendations to full Council in much the same way that our

community committees and community boards do. This year the Youth Committee will be chaired by Paloma Janse, a Nga Tawa student. I congratulate Paloma and her committee, already they are asking searching questions on Council stances to Government direction and community initiatives.

I also congratulate the Marton Community Committee led by Carolyn Bates and the Bulls Community Committee led by their newly elected Chair Greg Smith. These two committees have taken some time this term to be put in place, but they are and will be Council's official liaison to their residents. Community engagement through these Committees and the Community Boards of Taihape and Ratana will be essential in finalising our Annual Plan this year and giving us direction for the following Long Term Plan, that we are already starting to work on.

One of the very rewarding programmes that I as Mayor am involved in is the TUIA Mentorship Programme and initiative of Local Government that all councils belong to. This involves most mayors where they select either one or two rangatahi (young maori) from their district to have a mutually beneficial mentoring relationship. This is a relationship that has benefits to me as mayor to better understand cultural and youth issues, something that I value. The rangatahi selected are also required to do 100 hours of community work of some nature in their district and attend 5 wananga or marae hui within the year. This year I have selected two rangatahi, Bridget Watson (no relation) and Matthew Coogan both from the Taihape area. I intend to introduce both to Council and Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa formally within the near future.

Last Saturday evening I attended a congratulatory event at Te Matapihi celebrating Councillor Brian Carter's Double Gold Star or 50 Years' Service to the volunteer fire brigade in Bulls. Brian is the Bulls Chief Fire Officer (CFO) and becomes the first Bulls member to have served for 50 years. This achievement is incredible. The evening included serving brigade members, representatives from other brigades and an army of national and regional FENZ representatives. My congratulations to Brian and thanks also to Evelyn his wife who has supported him over the years.



I was invited to attend a special school assembly at South Makirikiri School on 23 March to recognise the bravery of Toby Nitschke an 8 year old bus monitor. Tragically the school bus was recently involved in a fatal accident resulting in the death of the driver. Toby took charge assisting all students who were unharmed out of the bus and summoning for help. He remained in control and

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gave direction under traumatic circumstances and it is due the credit and recognition he has been given. I thank the principal and the school for inviting me to the assembly.

At the time of writing this report the Harvest Festival has not yet happened and I am thrilled to see it continue, although a little nervous around being selected for the 'dunking tank' at the event on what could be a cold day. My congratulations and thanks to Jen and the team for all the work that goes into the event.

As part of the adoption of this report I am approving the costs for Councillor Fi Dalgety to attend an international directorship course to be held in Queenstown. As Chair of Finance / Performance Committee it is crucial that Council invests in her professional development. The opportunity will exist for other Councillors to follow a similar path in the future. As governors we are responsible for a large commercial entity something that we must get appropriate training for. I am also approving an application to Government for funding to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III and Queen Consort which will take place on 6 May 2023. This will provide for the planting somewhere within the district of at least one native tree to be recognised with an appropriate plaque.

Each month I will attach a table of Councillor attendance at Council meetings and workshops to my report. This table covers the period from October 2022 to 15 March 2023, this is Attachment 1.

Mayors Engagement

March 2023

1	Attended a 3W Meeting with DIA Attended Annual Plan Council Workshop
2	Attended Rural & Provincial Sector Meeting Attended Oral Submission to Water Services Select Committee Attended meeting at CentrePort Wellington
4	Attended Hastings Flood relief effort
6	Attended Governance Q&A with Executive Leadership Team Attended Climate Action Joint Committee Attended Mayoral Forum Attended Scotts Ferry Committee Meeting
7	Attended Elected Member Joint Standing Committee Meeting Attended Regional Transport Committee Attended Erewhon Rural Water Supply Sub Committee Attended Weekly Meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended Koitiata Residents Association meeting re Spatial Plan and Te Araroa Trail
8	Attended TUIA mentorship workshop Attended Taihape Community Board Workshop
9	Met with Vaughan Payne, 3W Entity B Chief Executive Attended Assets & Infrastructure Workshop

	Attended Policy/Planning Committee meeting
10	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended Marton Rail Hub Co-ordination Meeting Attended TUIA Wananga Mangatoatoa Marae Tokanui
11	Attended Ford Ranger NZ Rural Games
12	Attended Welcoming Communities event at La Bull
13	Attended Oral Zoom Submission to Charities Amendment Bill (Parliament) Attended Defence Issues Relevant to the Manawatu Meeting Attended meeting at Horizons Regional Council re consenting issues
14	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended Bulls Community Committee Meeting
15	Attended Risk/Assurance Committee Meeting Attended Council Meeting (to adopt Annual Plan)
16	Attended CentrePort visit to Port Whanganui Attended LGNZ Leaders Zoom Attended Balance Farm Awards
17	Visited Bulls residents on 70 th wedding anniversary Attended Central Districts Field Days Political Panel
18	Attended Brian Carter's 50 Year Gold Star Function
19	Met with Youth Councillor Mangaweka Attended Bulls RSA AGM
20	Attended monthly meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys
21	Attended Regional Transport Matters/Regional Chiefs' Online Meeting Attended Opening of Tamata Hauha Office in Marton Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended MDG Committee Meeting
22	Attended Marton RSA AGM
23	Attended South Makirikiri School Assembly to recognise bravery of student Toby Nitschke Attended Rangitikei District Community Volunteer Awards Evening
24	Attended Public Meeting at Ohingaiti re Otara Bridge Attended meeting with Boffa Miskell Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended judging of scarecrow competition Marton
26	Attended Harvest Festival
27	Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Papanui Junction School Hall
28	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive

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	Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Bulls Community Centre Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
29	Attended Community Volunteer Awards Debrief Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Moawhango Hall
30	Attended Finance/Performance Committee Meeting Attended Council Meeting Attended LGNZ Leaders' Zoom Attended Annual Plan/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Mataroa Community Hall
31	To attend MTFJ Core Group Meeting in Wellington To attend Annual Plan/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Tutaenui Hall

Attachments:

1. **Elected Member Attendance - Oct 22 - March 23** [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the Mayor's Report – March 2023 be received.

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Community Consultation - Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond, draft Community Spatial Plan

Author: Katrina Gray, Senior Strategic Planner

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 To inform the Turakina Community Committee about community consultation on Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond, the draft Community Spatial Plan and request the Committee's support in sharing the information and encouraging submissions.

2. Background

- 2.1 The population of the Rangitikei is going to increase significantly over the next 30 years, with an additional 9,000 people projected to join our district.
- 2.2 We've created a draft plan to help us to grow sustainably, with enough land available in the right places to accommodate new homes and businesses as they put down roots in Rangitikei.
- 2.3 This plan is based on the aspirations of our community (community engagement undertaken in early 2022), and we want to make sure that we've got it right by receiving submissions from the community during the consultation period.

3. Document structure

- 3.1 The draft Community Spatial Plan document is split into three sections:
 - Part 1: Overview – contains the district-wide strategic direction.
 - Part 2: Rural, towns and settlements – contains a specific section on each of 17 towns and settlements throughout the district. Relevant settlements for the Turakina Community Committee include; Turakina, Whangaehu, Koitiata, Kauangaroa, and Rural Rangitikei.
 - Part 3: The detail – includes the detail sitting behind the plan.

4. Community consultation

- 4.1 Consultation on the draft Spatial Plan is open until 5pm Tuesday 25 April 2023.
- 4.2 The following community meetings have been scheduled in the local area (and will cover both the Annual Plan and spatial plan projects).
 - Koitiata: 7pm Tuesday 4 April, Koitata Hall (Annual Plan only).
 - Turakina: 6pm Thursday 6 April (before the TCC meeting).
 - Whangaehu: 6pm Thursday 13 April, Whangaehu Hall.
 - Kauangaroa - TBC
- 4.3 All documentation is available from Council's website www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti
- 4.4 The summary documents for Rural Rangitikei, Turakina, Koitiata, Whangaehu and Kauangaroa have been attached.

- 4.5 Please share this with your networks and encourage those who have feedback to fill out a submission form. Submissions can be made:
- Online: www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti
 - In person: by filling out a submission form and dropping it off at any of Council's service centres, including Te Matapihi.
 - Via post: by filling out a submission form, folding and free posting back to us.
 - By email: info@rangitikei.govt.nz
- 4.6 For more information about the draft Community Spatial Plan, please visit our website www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti or contact Katrina Gray on 0800 422 522 or katrina.gray@rangitikei.govt.nz.

Attachments:

1. **Turakina - Summary** [↓](#)
2. **Kauangaroa - Summary** [↓](#)
3. **Whangaehu - Summary** [↓](#)
4. **Koitiata - Summary** [↓](#)
5. **Rural - Summary** [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the report 'Community Consultation - Pae Tawhiti Rangitīkei Beyond, draft Community Spatial Plan' be received.

9.2 RDC Engagement and Consultations**Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor****1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 Attached is the most recently updated schedule for RDC Engagement and Consultations. This schedule is updated on a monthly basis, prior to going to full Council for receipt.

2. RDC Website

- 2.1 Council's website lists all open and recently closed consultations (see the below weblink). This is also where individuals can make submissions.

<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/council/consultation/current-consultations>

Attachments:

1. RDC Engagement and Consultations Schedule - Updated March 2023 [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the report 'RDC Engagement and Consultations' be received.

9.3 Funding Schemes Update - April 2023

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Overview

- 1.1 Council currently administers five funding schemes for the Rangitikei District:
 - a. Community Initiatives Fund
 - b. Events Sponsorship Scheme
 - c. Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund
 - d. Creative Communities Scheme
 - e. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

2. Community Initiatives Fund

- 2.1 This is a Council fund intended to support community-based projects in the Rangitikei District that develop community cohesion and community resilience.
- 2.2 Council allocates \$30,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 2.3 Council approved the total spend of \$11,500 on the 29th of September 2022 (Round 1, 2022/23) at the Finance and Performance meeting.
- 2.4 The current funding round (Round 2 2022/23) is now open for applications and closes 2 April 2023.

3. Events Sponsorship Scheme

- 3.1 This is a Council fund intended to support events in the district that help to develop community cohesion and reinforce economic growth.
- 3.2 Council allocates \$50,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 3.3 Council approved the total spend of \$18,222 on the 29th of September 2022 (Round 1, 2022/23) at the finance and performance meeting.
- 3.5 The current funding round (Round 2 2022/23) closed on the 5 March 2023.
- 3.6 Decision were made at the Finance and Performance meeting on the 30 March 2023.
 - 3.6.1 South Makirikiri Friends of the School- \$4,200
 - 3.6.2 Gumboots Brass and Wind Ensemble-\$1,000

4. Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund

- 4.1 This is a Council fund and is the only one available for capital purchases. The Council provides up to 33% in cash of the value – in cash or in kind - of the contribution from the community for small-scale, community-led, capital projects.
- 4.2 Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered at the next available Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting.

5. Creative Communities Scheme

- 5.1 This fund is supplied by Creative NZ and administered by Council. Applications are encouraged from community groups and individuals whose projects:
- Demonstrate growth over time
 - Develop and support local artistic communities
 - Encourage a transfer of artistic skills
 - Support diversity and inclusion
 - Projects with a youth focus are also encouraged
- 5.2 Creative NZ typically allocates \$24,090 (+ GST) to the Rangitikei District Council on an annual basis, and this is distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 5.3 Creative NZ committee met on the 14 November and allocated \$12,397.50 to applicants.
- 5.4 The current funding round (Round 2 2022/23) is now open for applications and closes 7 May 2023
- 5.5 Currently applications for the assessment panel for the creative communities scheme are open until 31 March.

6. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

- 6.1 This fund is supplied by Sport NZ and administered by Council. The fund is targeted at young people aged between 5 and 19 years, and is open to rural sport club teams and rural school club teams with eligible members who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions.
- 6.2 Sport NZ typically allocates \$9,500 (+ GST) to the Rangitikei District Council on an annual basis. There is one funding round per year.
- 6.3 The funding round opened for applications 17 May 2022 and will close 13 April 2023. The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund Committee will meet to consider applications on 27 April 2023.

7. Further Information

- 7.1 More details about these funding opportunities can be found on the Council website (link below) and this is also where applications can be submitted:
<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/district/community/grants-funding>

Recommendation

That the Funding Schemes Update – April 2023 be received.

9.4 Small Projects Fund Update - April 2023**Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor****1. Allocation**

- 1.1 The 2022/23 allocation to the Committee's Small Projects Fund was \$737.
- 1.2 Additionally, \$16.40 was carried-forward from the 2021/22 budget.
- 1.3 Therefore, the total allocation for 2022/23 is **\$753.40**.

2. Earmarked Payments from 2021/22 yet to be paid

- 2.1 The below payments were earmarked in 2021/22, but have not yet been paid. Payment for these will come from the 2021/22 and will not affect the 2022/23 budget.
 - a. Turakina School: \$750 to contribute towards the cost of their new drinking water fountain.

3. Breakdown

- 3.1 Payment of \$300 has been made to the Whangaehu School Reunion Committee to support the 150th reunion of the school.
- 3.2 The remaining allocation for the small projects fund 2022/23 is **\$453.40**

Recommendation

That the report 'Small Projects Fund Update – February 2023' be received.

10 Meeting Closed